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- 1. The Ministry of Communications deals with the organization, planning, coordination, and supervision of all transportation and communication of the Rumanian People's Republic.
- 2. Functions of the Ministry of Communications:
  - a. Conducts, plans, organizes, controls, and coordinates the activities of the bodies in charge of constructing, administering and operating the communications and transportation systems on land, sea, and in the air. There are a few exceptions. Some communications and transportation authorities are under the jurisdiction of other departments of the government. For example, the Air Section (Sectia Aero) is in the Ministry of the Interior.
  - b. Fixes transportation and communications rates. Enforces the application of the rates.
  - c. Exercises either directly, or through its representatives, the right of guidance, superivision and control over private transportation enterprises.
  - d. Guides and controls meteorological, hydro-technical, and aerodynamics research.
  - e. Conducts and supervises studies carried on within the Ministry itself.
- 3. The Ministry of Communications is headed by a minister, assisted by a council, three assistant ministers, and three counselors. The functions

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are carried out by the following offices:

The Ministry's Secretariat The Central Office of Transportation and Communications Office of Civil Aviation Office of Planning Accounting Office Administration Office Cadre Office (Political Staff Personnel)

4. In addition to its internal offices, the Ministry of Communications has direct control and supervision over outside departments such as:

The Railroad Department (CFR)

The Telegraph, Telephone, and Postal Offices (PTT)
The Bureau of Harbors and Waterways (PCA)

The "Autonomous" Administration for Automobile Transportation (RATA)

The Central Meteorological Institute

5. The Ministry of Communications also controls:

The Sovremtransport Navigation Company

The Romano-Soviet Air Transportation (TARS)

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Office of the Commissary and Workshops Administration Office Finance and Accounting Office Secretariat
The secretariat and the offices are headed by a director assisted by an assistant director. The regional offices are located in the capitals of the 28 regions of the country and in the so-called cities of republican subordination.
Comment. According to the text of the new Rumanian Constitution, as announced in July 1952, there are now 18 regions.

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- 1. The Autonomous Administration of the Office of the Rumanian Railroads (CFR) was turned into a Department of the CFR and is now under the direction of the Ministry of Communications. It is headed by an assistant minister of the Ministry of Communications, who bears the title of Assistant Minister of the CFR Department.
- 2. Functions of the CFR:
  - a. Construction, administration, and management of the railroads, public trucking service, and transportation of merchandise and baggage by its own vehicles.
  - b. Organization and direction of CFR training of all types. Activities of the office of the CFR are guided by the principles of "good housekeeping" (industry, thrift, etc.) and are under the general directives of the Ministry of Communications.
- 3. The Department of the CFR is composed of:
  - a. Executive, administration, and control offices
  - b. Units
- 4. The executive, administrative and control activities are under the direction of the so-called Leadership Collective Board, composed of the assistant minister of the CFR Department and five director generals. The assistant minister has the following functions, part of which he may delegate to his subordinates:

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- a. He decides all administrative, juridical, technical, financial and industrial matters which fall within the jurisdiction of the CFR Department.
- b. He handles personnel problems, with the exception of those pertaining to the general directors, the general inspectors and their assistants, and the Central Office or regional directors. All these problems are forwarded by him to the Minister of Communications for solution.
- c. He guides the planning operations for transportation, management, and investments.
- 5. The units of the CFR are as follows:

Executive and Control units Operations Inspections Units executing orders Consulting and advisory units

The first three units may function or be eliminated only by a decision of the Minister of Communications; last two, upon the advice of the assistant minister.

6. The executive and control units are:

Central Office of Traction

Central Office of Motion (scheduling and movements of railroad cars and

Central Office of Telecommunications

Central Office of Constructions

Central Office of Workshops

Central Office of Maintenance

Central Office of Planning

Central Office of Studies and Projects

Central Office of Cadre (Personnel)

Central Office of Assistance (Social Security, et cetera)

Central Office of Professional Education

Central Office of Supply

Central Office of Finance

The Railroad Institute

7. The general directors of the CFR direct the specialized offices, which handle technological processes, technical norms, standards for salaries of labor, plans and instructions for the management, and are listed as follows:

The Autovehicle Office International Relations Office Receiving Office Press and Editorial Office Juridical Office (legal matters)

8. The Regional Offices are operative and control units. These units are:

Regional Office of Bucharest

Regional Office of Iasi

Regional Office of Craiova

Regional Office of Stalin (Brasov)

Regional Office of Timisoara Regional Office of Cluj

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The regional directors direct all production and financial activities, establish the work plans, and supervise their execution. In their activities they are helped by an assistant regional director, an engineer, and regional sub-directors.

- 9. The Inspection Unit, which handles matters concerning railroad regulations and is also concerned with safety measures, is directed by a general inspector, helped by an assistant general inspector, and five examiners to insure safety, and an assistant general inspector of "inspection and control".
- 10. Execution of ground activities is done by the Units Executing Orders, which are responsible to the central Home Office. (sic)
- 11. The Consultation and Advisory Units are described below:
  - a. The Consulting Council is composed of the assistant minister of the CFR Department; the general inspector; the assistant general inspector for Safety Measures; the general directors; the Home Office directors of the following offices: Motion, Traction, Workshops, Maintenance, Supply, Planning, Finances, Cadre; and the secretary of the Council. The Consulting Council is concerned with overall policy problems.
  - b. The Technical Council of the CFR organizes and directs technical research activities for the railroad management and construction plans and projects. The Technical Council is presided over by the assistant minister. The members and the secretary are appointed by the Minister of Communications by way of departmental orders.
- 12. The Railroad Institute was formerly the Institute of Transport and Communications. At present it is the highest railroad school and has the following faculties:

Faculty of railroad management Faculty of railroad construction

Faculty of telecommunications

Faculty of rolling stock and railroad equipment

Faculty of economics and plans for transport and communication

The Institute is headed by a rector, with the assistance of the five deans of the Faculties, a director of studies, and an administration director. The rector and the deans are appointed by the Minister of Communications, while the others are appointed by the assistant minister.

- 13. The following personnel are known:
  - a. Augustin Alexa, Assistant Minister;
  - b. Claude Seni, Director of Home Office Planning;
  - c. Claude Seni, engineer in the studies and projects office;
  - d. Ion M. Diaconescu, engineer of the CFR Grivita Workshop.

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